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shall be followed by the applicant, who must disclose as part of its short-form application all parties to agreement(s) with or among other entities to partition the license pursuant to this section, if won at auction (*see* 47 CFR 1.2105(a)(2)(viii));

(b) Each party to an agreement to partition the authorization must file a long-form application (FCC Form 601) for its respective, mutually agreed-upon geographic area together with the application for the remainder of the MEA or EA filed by the auction winner.

(c) If the partitioned authorization is being applied for as a partial assignment of the MEA or EA authorization following grant of the initial authorization, request for authorization for partial assignment of an authorization shall be made pursuant to § 1.948 of this part.

[59 FR 59507, Nov. 17, 1994, as amended at 64 FR 33781, June 24, 1999]

§ 22.223 Definitions concerning competitive bidding process.

(a) *Scope.* The definitions in this section apply to §§ 22.201 through 22.227, unless otherwise specified in those sections.

(b) *Small business; consortium of small businesses.* (1) A small business is an entity that either:

(i) Together with its affiliates and controlling interests has average gross revenues that are not more than \$3 million for the preceding three years; or

(ii) Together with its affiliates and controlling interests has average gross revenues that are not more than \$15 million for the preceding three years.

(2) A consortium of small businesses is a conglomerate organization formed as a joint venture between or among mutually independent business firms, each of which individually satisfies the definition of a small business in paragraph (b)(1)(i) or (b)(1)(ii) of this section. Each individual member must establish its eligibility as a small business, as defined in this section.

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§ 22.225 Certifications, disclosures, records maintenance, and definitions.

(a) *Short-form applications: certifications and disclosure.* In addition to certifications and disclosures required by part 1, subpart Q of this chapter, each applicant for a paging license which qualifies as a small business or consortium of small businesses shall append the following information as an exhibit to its FCC Form 175: the identity of the applicant's controlling interest and affiliates, and, if a consortium of small businesses, the members of the joint venture.

(b) *Records maintenance.* All winning bidders qualifying as small businesses shall maintain at their principal place of business an updated file of ownership, revenue, and asset information, including any documents necessary to establish small businesses under § 22.223. Licensees (and their successors-in-interest) shall maintain such files for the term of the license. Applicants that do not obtain the license(s) for which they applied shall maintain such files until the grant of such license(s) is final, or one year from the date of the filing of their short-form application (FCC Form 175), whichever is earlier.

(c) *Definitions.* The terms small business and consortium of small businesses used in this section are defined in § 22.223.

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§ 22.227 Petitions to deny and limitations on settlements.

(a) Procedures regarding petitions to deny long-form applications in the paging service will be governed by § 1.939 of this chapter.

(b) The consideration that an individual or an entity will be permitted to receive for agreeing to withdraw an application or petition to deny will be limited by the provisions set forth in § 1.935 of this chapter.

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§ 22.228 Cellular rural service area licenses subject to competitive bidding.

Mutually exclusive initial applications for Cellular Rural Service Area